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(54) Method and apparatus for retrieving specific information associated with an obtained identifier

(57) A method and apparatus for retrieving product specific information to facilitate a user's decision making, such as a buying decision, is disclosed. The present

invention also allows a database to be built that includes users' comments regarding their behaviour and/or experiences with particular products. This database then may be accessed and queried using a mobile phone.

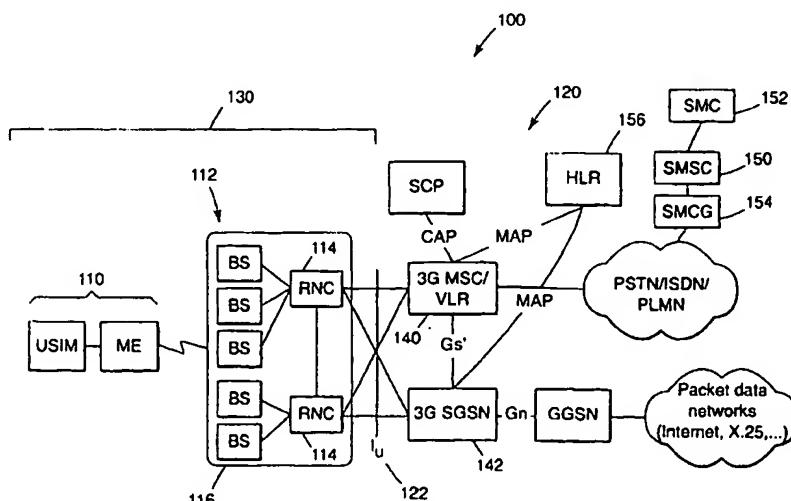


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